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TWO FACES.

Once upon a time, no matter when and no matter where, we sat by the bright lamp-light reading a magazine article on that literary "bone of contention," Count Lyff N. Tolstoy, at an hour which would have been considered the "wee sma'" hour for a farmer boy just after the war.

Suddenly we saw two faces, one of which we had seen before, but the other we had not. Now, those faces were not on the page of the magazine, nor were they on the wall. Nor yet did they perch raven-like, above the door. There were no weird fancies playing us as played Poe's excited vision as told in "The Raven."

Indeed while we saw two faces we saw nothing but the printed page and a fine half-tone engraving showing a dozen persons sitting around an outdoor dinner table at Yasay Polyana, Count Tolstoy's home.

The two faces we saw came in at the window. They were invisible to the physical eye, but yet as plain as the ribbon streaks of the *aurora borealis* in the deepening hours of a crisp November evening. The faces came before us as the sound of a voice. We heard a voice; that voice took shape in the articulate accents of spoken words; that voice we had heard before; but it had always represented only one face. Now it represented two; for the words that floated in upon our ears were not pretty words. They were not polite words. They were rough words. Never before had we heard that voice speak forth such words, and the new, rough words made a new, rough face. Formerly the words from that voice had been pleasing ones, such as matched the sweet face of its owner; but the rough words from the same voice bore the new face. And ever after when we looked upon that face once sweet and bland and mild and engaging, we saw the other face, rough and frowning as it was photographed on our memory by the rough words that reached our ears that evening.

Ever afterwards as doubtless many saw the same sweet and lovely, charming face which we had seen before, we saw the rough and frowning face which matched the rough and frowning words. What transformation of countenance in a voice, in a tone, in a word, in an accent!

So many persons carry two faces when they think they carry only one. The observer oftentimes sees the two faces when the observed thinks he sees only one. We make faces sometimes when we little think. A movement of the head or hand, or even a footfall sometimes makes a new face for us. However pretty and sweet and attractive our other face, the haughty movement of head or hand; the impatient stamp of a dainty foot; the harsh, rough word on never-so-sweet a voice, makes that other face that lies deeper than fair complexion and which is gazed upon so often at the detriment of the prettier outward face.

Reader, how many faces do you show?

It is so much better to carry only one face and then there is never a mistake as to its impressions. Let us keep sweet faces, mirrored in kind words, and never take on a rough face by the utterance of rough words, no matter how secluded the place nor how unobserved the time.

BUTLER'S PLANS.

Richmond Dispatch.

There are evidently more things in Marion Butler's mind than are dreamt of in the Populist philosophy. The People's Party chairman is now credited with the idea of proposing to the Democracy the taking down of both Sewall and Watson, and the substitution for the two of Justice Walter Clark, of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, who, it is said, Butler will claim to be acceptable to both Populists and Democrats. We do not know how true this story may be or how far Mr. Butler may be right in the contention attributed to him, but we do know that Judge Clark is a highly intelligent, patriotic, and progressive citizen, though he goes a little farther than we think is wise on the silver question and in some other matters of public concern.

This much we feel at liberty to say without giving the slightest approval or countenance to the proposition to take down Sewall.

BRYAN IN NEW YORK.

"The Boy Orator of the Platte" is no longer an experiment and unknown quantity as a Presidential candidate. He went into New York City, into what he called the "enemy's country," to begin his campaign, and he has made a most brilliant opening. He has spoken in many places in New York State, and everywhere he has received flattering receptions. His speeches have shown great versatility of powers. He has made a new and different speech at almost every place and they have all been fresh and full of facts and figures relative to the financial situation. While there are still many good Democrats who do not see the financial situation, and certainly not the remedy, as Mr. Bryan does, they no longer offer the suggestion that his youth is a barrier to his race in the campaign. If Mr. Bryan is young he has filled his years full of persistent labor and unremitting study of matters political, and his work of a few years, so well done, is now the source of intellectual powers that are dazzling the nation.

No man has stood before the American people with a higher wave of enthusiasm in so short a time.

NEW PRINCIPAL.

There has recently been considerable friction with the asylum for the deaf-mute and blind at Raleigh. Mr. Young who had been principal for quite a while was recently succeeded by Mr. F. R. Place. It turned out that Mr. Place had not had the experience that the statute requires and he offered his resignation a few days ago.

Saturday the Board of directors elected Mr. John E. Ray, a native of North Carolina, who is now principal of a similar institution at Lexington, Ky. Mr. Ray is well known in the State and his many friends will be glad to see him return.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The Democratic County Convention having adjourned on the 22nd day of June, 1896, subject to a call of the Chairman of the Executive Committee, will reassemble on Wednesday, 9th day of September, 1896, at 12 o'clock M., at Halifax to nominate county officers, members of the Legislature, and to transact such other business as may properly come before it.

On the same day and at the same place the County Executive Committee will meet for the purpose of electing a Chairman.

I. E. GREEN, Chairman Co. Dem. Ex. Com. Weldon, N. C., Aug. 28, '96.

LENDER AND BORROWER.

A Hagerstown, Md., special to the New York Sun, says: "A man went into a local lawyer's office the other day to borrow \$3,000, offering as security a mortgage on a \$10,000 property. The lender demanded that the words 'payable in gold' be inserted in the mortgage. The borrower said he did not object. After the mortgage was drafted the lender drew up a check for \$3,000. The borrower scanned it and, handing it back, demanded that it be made payable in gold, saying, since he was obliged to pay back in gold, he thought it justice that he should be paid in gold. The lender said his banker would not cash the check in gold, whereupon he tore up his mortgage and the lender tore up his check. The deal could not be made. The borrower had no difficulty, however, in getting \$3,000 on a \$10,000 property, and he was not required to pay the debt in gold."

The following was sent from Wilson last week relative to a murder at Elm City: Ephraim Joyner, a negro barber of Elm City, was fatally shot last night by a negro tramp. The two negroes were in a piece of woods near the town gambling when the shooting occurred. It is supposed that both are drunk and became entangled over a spoils of the game. No one knows the tramp. He is thought to have come to Elm City from Rocky Mount. Mr. Grantham, ex-Sheriff of Wayne county, was telegraphed to bring his hounds as soon as the affair became known. The dogs struck a trail and ran it for several miles without finding the murderer. Early this morning Joyner was living but there is little hope of his recovery.

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GROVER GREET'S LI.

In New York last Saturday President Cleveland officially met Li Hung Chang, the Viceroy of China, who is on a visit to this country. The greeting took place in the Whitney mansion, and was a very ceremonial affair. THE COMMONWEALTH can spare space for only the following:

Li Hung Chang and his suite, upon entering the Whitney residence, were ushered into the drawing-room, at the left of the entrance. President Cleveland, and the members of his Cabinet, who were present, took positions in the centre of the ball-room, the President standing beneath a group of Chinese flags, draped on either side of a gilded American eagle, above which were the Stars and Stripes. When all was ready for the presentation, Private-Secretary Thurber notified the guests of the fact. Li Hung Chang and his secretaries, and members of his suite, then entered the room. Secretary Olney introduced the Viceroy to President Cleveland. The Ambassador, who wore a new and far more gorgeous yellow jacket than that worn upon his arrival recently, bowed low, and shook hands with President Cleveland. All present were standing, and so remained throughout the ceremony, which was very formal.

The secretary of Li Hung Chang, Lo Fung Luh, handed to his Excellency a letter from the Emperor of China to the President of this nation. It was a very elaborate affair, done in Chinese on parchment, and wrapped in a yellow silk covering, upon which was the Chinese dragon, worked in red, blue, green, and white. The parchment resembled a large music roll. Li Hung Chang presented this letter to Mr. Cleveland. He then made an address on his own account, which was interpreted by Fung Luh.

LI'S SPEECH.

The translation of Li Hung Chang's remarks is as follows: "Your Excellency: It affords me great pleasure to have the honor to be presented to your Excellency. The reputation of your highly esteemed virtues is widely known throughout the world, and in you the citizens of the United States of America have invariably placed their confidence. Consequently, both the interior administration and the exterior relations of this great republic are in a state of prosperity.

"It will always be the desire of my august master, the Emperor of China, to maintain the most cordial relations with America, whose friendly assistance, rendered to the Government of China after the China-Japanese war, and whose protection for the safety of the Chinese immigrants in America are to be highly appreciated.

"I am specially appointed by my august master, the Emperor of China, to present to your Excellency the letter of credence, and to convey to your Excellency the assurance of his most friendly feelings towards the United States of America, in the hope that your Excellency will reciprocate his sentiments and co-operate with him to promote friendly intercourse between our two countries for the cause of human kind.

"I trust that your Excellency's government will continue to afford protection and kind treatment to the Chinese immigrants in America, and to render friendly assistance to the Chinese Government when required.

"May the people of our two great nations enjoy the benefits of perpetual peace."

THE PRESIDENT'S REPLY.

Mr. Cleveland replied as follows: "Your Excellency: It gives me great pleasure to receive from your hand the personal letter from your august sovereign, and to greet you as his personal representative.

"Since our two countries became better acquainted, many incidents have occurred calculated to increase our friendly relations, and not the least gratifying of these are the kindly expressions contained in the letter of your Emperor, and the visit to our country of his most distinguished subject, who has been so honorably and prominently connected with public affairs in his own country, and with all that has been attempted in the direction of its advancement and improvement.

"Your visit to us at this time is made more impressive by the thought that it serves to join in one suggestion the most ancient civilization of the East, and the best type of the newer civilization in the Western world.

"Notwithstanding the widely different characteristics of the two countries, the welcome which is tendered you by the Government and citizens of the United States illustrates in the strongest possible manner the kinship of the nations.

"We feel that in the arrangement of your tour you have not allotted to your sojourn among us sufficient time to gain an adequate observation of all we have accomplished as a nation. It will not, however, escape your notice that a rich and fertile domain has here been quickly created by those who were assured that they would reap where they had sowed: that a strong and beneficent government has been established by those who loved freedom, and that we have a patriotic and generous people, who love their government because it is theirs, controlled by them, administered for them, and protected and saved from harm by them.

"We heartily wish that your stay with us may be most pleasant, and that at its close you may enjoy a safe and agreeable return to your home and your field of duty and usefulness."

STATE NEWS.

Sunday's News & Observer said that the receipts of new cotton in Raleigh show that the crop is at least two weeks earlier than it was last year.

A colored man named Jim Chavis murdered a colored woman named Mahaley White about eight miles from Raleigh last Saturday.

The Washington Messenger says that the train running on the Norfolk and Southern railroad between Roper and Pantego ran over and killed a man named Harrington. He was thought to be drunk as a bottle of whiskey was found on his person.

Henry M. Cowan, chief clerk in the democratic State headquarters at Raleigh, committed suicide in his room last Saturday by shooting himself in the head. His health had been failing for some time and his actions and conversation had been a little incoherent at times. Once some months ago he mysteriously disappeared at Burlington and it was thought then he had committed suicide. He was about 42 years old. He left no note or letter giving reasons for his act.

The Charlotte Observer says:

"Dr. T. B. Kingsbury, of the Wilmington Messenger, has been tendered the chairmanship of the Southern Literature Library Association, headquarters at Atlanta, Mrs. Louise T. Hodges, president. Among the vice presidents are Mrs. Atkinson, wife of the Governor of Georgia, and Mr. Clark Howell, of the Atlanta Constitution. Dr. Kingsbury will not be able to accept the position so kindly offered, but will help in any other way in his power.

The Charlotte Observer of last Sunday gave the following illustration of the value of printer's ink:

"A Mr. Bollinger, of Newton, one of the Ramseur excursion party, was married while in Baltimore and brought his bride back with him. He had never seen his bride until he met her in a matrimonial paper for a husband, and Mr. Bollinger answered the advertisement. A correspondence had been going on between the two for some time before Mr. Bollinger went to Baltimore. The two went on to Lincoln last night."

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This 27th day of July 1896. A. G. WILCOX, Adm'r.

Brinkleyville, N. C., 7 30 6t

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